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**REQUEST FORM FOR
APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

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Prior Application:

Art Unit: 2651

Examiner: Figueroa, Natalia

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Mail Stop Patent Application

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a Continuation application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of pending prior application

Serial No. 09/816,404, filed on March 26, 2001, entitled RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS, by the

following named inventors: Shigeru YAMAZAKI, Kemmei MASUDA, Toshio TSUCHIYA.

1. ☒ I hereby state that the enclosed application contains no new matter.
2. Oath or Declaration
 - a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
 - i. ☐ Deletion of inventor(s)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
3. ☒ Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 2b is checked)
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 2b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
4. ☒ Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
5. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO1449 Form are submitted herewith.
6. ☒ Cancel claims 1-18.

7. The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 4 and 6 above:

	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	AMOUNT
Total Claims	3	-20	0	\$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	1	-3	0	\$86.00 =	\$0.00
Basic Application Fee					\$770.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$0.00					\$0.00
Total Application Fee					\$770.00
Subtract ½ if small entity					\$0.00
TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE					\$770.00
AMOUNT TO BE CHARGED TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 500417					\$770.00

- 7a. ☐ Enclosed is a Verified Statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
- 7b. ☐ A verified Statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27 was filed in prior application and such status is still proper and desired.
- 8a. ☒ **PLEASE CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 500417 in the amount of \$770.00**
- 8b. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any extension of time fees to maintain the pendency of the parent application Serial No. 09/816,404 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417.
9. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This application is a continuation of Application Serial No. 09/816,404 filed March 26, 2001.--
10. ☒ Priority of Application Serial No. 2000-131518, 2001-009651 filed on April 26, 2000, January 18, 2001 in Japan is claimed under 35 USC 119. The certified priority documents were filed in Serial No. 09/816,404 on July 3, 2001.
11. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to

HITACHI, LTD.
Tokyo, Japan
12. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

McDermott, Will & Emery
13. ☒ Also enclosed:

9 Pages of Formal Drawings
Associate Power of Attorney

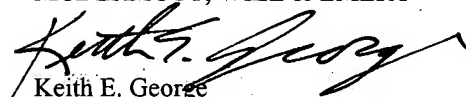
14. ☐ A petition, fee and response has been filed to extend the term in the pending prior application until .

Address all future communications to: (May only be completed by applicant, or attorney or agent of record)

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Submitted herewith are 9 sheets of formal drawings which were filed with the parent application on July 3, 2001.

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